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## FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

### BRITISH HONDURAS.

#### *Report from Belize—Fruit port.*

BELIZE, BRITISH HONDURAS, *April 21, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit report for week ended April 20. The following vessels have cleared from this port:

Date.	Vessel.	Master.	Number of crew.	Destination.	Number of passengers from Belize.	Number of passengers in transit.	Total number of passengers.	Number of pieces baggage disinfected.
Apr. 19	Ss. Esther.....	Steven-son.	19	New Orleans, La..	0	0	0	0
Do.....	Ss. Stillwater..	Galt.....	32	.....do.....	10	20	30	20
Do.....	Schr. Davy Crockett.	Merrett ...	7	Key West, Fla.....	0	0	0	0

The sanitary conditions of Belize and the adjacent country are good. Four deaths during the week, as follows: One from senility, 1 from pleurisy, 1 from acute nephritis, and 1 from debility.

Respectfully,

J. GREY THOMAS,  
*Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,  
*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.*

### CHINA.

#### *Reports from Hongkong—Plague and smallpox.*

HONGKONG, CHINA, *March 25, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith the report of inspection work at this station for the week ended March 23, 1901. I also transmit under same cover an abstract of mortality statistics in the colony of Hongkong during the month of February, 1901.

Four hundred and sixty-four baths were given during the week and 739 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The sanitary reports for the week show 8 cases of plague and 10 deaths, 7 cases of smallpox and 6 deaths, and 1 case of enteric fever.

The plague cases have nearly all been of the bubonic type, though some of the infected glands are of small size and might easily be overlooked in a physical examination were it not for the tenderness and induration surrounding. The measures adopted to prevent the further spread of smallpox have been free vaccination, posting Chinese notices which call attention to the protection afforded by vaccination, and house-to-house visits by Chinese medical students urging vaccination.

At present there are 10 cases of smallpox in the hospital for infectious diseases.

Respectfully,

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[Inclosure.]

*Abstract of mortality statistics at Hongkong during February, 1901.*

	Population.				Population.		
	British and foreign.	Chinese land.	Chinese harbor.		British and foreign.	Chinese land.	Chinese harbor.
Specific febrile diseases—				Circulatory system—			
Smallpox.....	1	4	0	Heart disease.....	1	7	1
Cholera.....	0	6	3	Respiratory system—			
Diarrhea.....	1	30	0	Bronchitis.....	3	37	7
Dysentery.....	2	6	0	Pneumonia.....	1	18	3
Plague (bubonic).....	0	14	0	Phthisis.....	3	59	10
Malaria.....	4	33	9	Empyema.....	0	0	1
Septic—				Hæmoptysis.....	0	1	0
Septicæmia.....	0	1	0	Digestive system—			
Puerperal fever.....	0	1	0	Dentition.....	1	0	0
Venereal syphilis.....	1	9	0	Enteritis.....	0	0	1
Parasites.....	0	1	0	Colic (biliary).....	1	0	0
Opium poisoning.....	0	1	0	Jaundice.....	0	1	0
Effects of injuries.....	1	9	3	Urinary system—			
Developmental diseases—				Nephritis (acute)...	1	0	0
Immaturity at birth..	1	0	0	Bright's disease....	0	5	5
Debility and old age..	2	17	19	Calculus (renal)....	1	0	0
Marasmus and atrophy.....	0	7	0	Generative system—			
Miscellaneous—				Post-partum hæmorrhage.....	1	0	0
Rheumatic fever.....	0	1	0	Childbirth.....	0	1	3
Cancer of stomach....	0	1	0	The skin—			
General tuberculosis	0	1	0	Ulcer of leg.....	0	1	0
Anæmia.....	0	2	0	Abcess, scrotal.....	0	1	0
Nervous system—				The bones—			
Meningitis.....	0	2	0	Hip joint disease...	0	1	0
Apoplexy.....	0	1	0	Undefined—			
Paralysis.....	0	1	0	Dropsy.....	0	1	0
Convulsions.....	0	18	0	Undiagnosed.....	0	2	1
Tetanus.....	0	4	0	Beriberi.....	0	28	6
Trismus.....	0	38	0	Total .....	26	371	72

British and foreign population, 9,100; death rate, 21.8 per 1,000. Chinese land population, 212,860; death rate, 18.0 per 1,000. Chinese harbor population, 85,040; death rate, 23.1 per 1,000. Total population of colony, 257,000; death rate, 19.5 per 1,000, exclusive of army and navy.

HONGKONG, CHINA, *April 2, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith the report of inspection work at this station for the week ended March 30, 1901.

Ten steamers were inspected during the week, 1,084 individuals were bathed, and 1,419 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

Fourteen cases of plague were reported during the week and 10 deaths; 2 cases of enteric fever and 1 death; 13 cases of smallpox and 13 deaths.

No information is obtainable regarding the health of Canton, but a number of cases of varioloid are reported to have occurred on the U. S. S. *Monterey* lying at that port.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. KERR,  
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[Inclosure.]

*Report of vessels inspected at Hongkong, China, March 23, and March 30, 1901.*

Date.	Name of vessel.	Destination.	Crew.	Passengers.		Re-jected.
				Cabin.	Steer-age.	
Mar. 19	Br. str. Doric (a).....	San Francisco.....	140	55	248	1
Mar. 21	Br. str. Loong Sang (a).....	Manila.....	69	17	51	1
Mar. 23	Ger. str. Albenga (b).....	New York.....	34	0	0	0
Mar. 25	Am. str. Nan Shan (c).....	Manila.....	60	1	0	0
Do.....	Br. str. Yuen Sang (d).....	Manila via Amoy.....	70	17	1	0
Mar. 27	Ger. str. Pronto (d).....	Iloilo.....	32	3	2	0
Do.....	Br. str. Esmeralda (d).....	Manila.....	56	18	67	1
Mar. 28	Am. str. Pompey (b).....	do.....	32	0	0	0
Do.....	Jap. str. Nippon Maru (d).....	San Francisco.....	176	52	350	1
Mar. 29	Br. str. Queen Adelaide (d).....	Tacoma.....	33	0	12	0
Do.....	Jap. str. Rosetta Maru (d)(e)(f).....	Manila.....	111	40	40	1
Do.....	Br. str. Sungkiang (d).....	do.....	67	19	76	1
Do.....	Br. str. Kaifong (d).....	Cebu.....	67	5	20	0

a Asiatic crew and steerage passengers bathed and effects disinfected by steam.

b European crew.

c Asiatic crew bathed and textile effects disinfected by steam.

d Asiatic crew and steerage passengers bathed and textile effects disinfected by steam.

e Japanese crew not allowed ashore during vessel's stay in this port.

f Supplemental bill of health.

## COSTA RICA.

*Report from Port Limon—Fruit port.*PORT LIMON, COSTA RICA, *April 20, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit my weekly report as follows: On April 14, cleared steam tug *C. W. Morse*, crew 24, no passengers nor baggage, having in tow the schooner barge *Atlas*, crew 12, no passengers nor baggage. April 15, cleared steamer *Scythian*, crew 19, no passengers nor baggage. April 18, steamship *Hispania*, crew 22, no passengers nor baggage. April 19, steamship *Anselm*, crew 40, no passengers nor baggage. All bound for the port of New Orleans. I inclose copies of certificates given them. Five deaths have occurred in Port Limon during the week ended April 17, viz, 1 negro infant, cholera infantum; 1 negro adult, female, meningitis; 1 negro adult, male, phthisis pulmonalis; 1 negro infant, tuberculosis; 1 negro adult, male, apoplexy syphilitic.

The case of yellow fever reported by me on April 5 has recovered, and on April 9 the premises, clothing, and bedding were thoroughly disinfected. More than ten days have elapsed since the disinfection and I have not been able to find or hear of any other case of yellow fever, hence I am giving vessels clean bills of health.

Respectfully,

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## CUBA.

*Reports from Cienfuegos, Casilda, and Santa Cruz del Sur.*CIENFUEGOS, CUBA, *April 22, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report for the district under my command for the week ended April 20, 1901: Fifteen deaths have occurred in this city; no contagious diseases reported; death rate 19.55. Causes of deaths are as follows: Uræmia, 2; tuberculosis, 2;